--- 20 Cigarettes - “Series of 1897” - 22 x 28 mm. - scanned at 200% scale ---

--- recess printed in BLACK ink ---

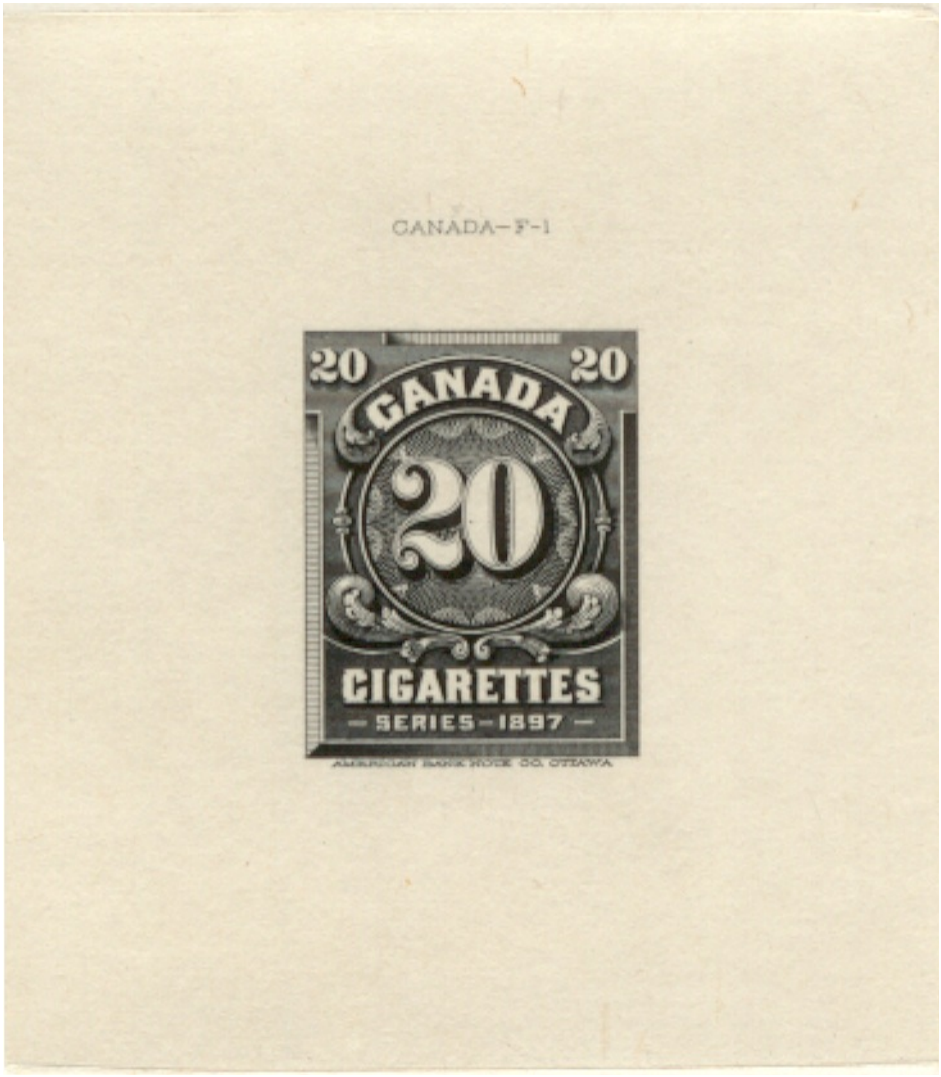
The Budget of 1897 increased the excise duty from the 1889 rate of $ 1.50 to $ 3.00 per thousand for *foreign leaf* cigarettes weighing less than 3 pounds per thousand, and from $ 6.00 to $ 8.00 per thousand for *foreign leaf* cigarettes weighing over 3 pounds per thousand, and additionally imposed an excise duty of $ 1.50 per thousand on *domestic leaf* cigarettes and weighing less than 3 pounds per thousand.

★**RC-140** - 20 cigarettes, perf 12

The following is an early editorial comment on the dangers of smoking. It has been made by paste-up, and was found in an old collection purchased many years ago. I’ve space to fill on this page - so here it is. The base stamp was cancelled in July 1914. I have no idea when, why, or where this was fabricated!

--- C-270 DP - 20 Cigarettes - “Series of 1897” - 22 x 28 mm. - scanned at 200% scale ---

--- black Die Proof - [CANADA - F - 1 **] ---**



★**RC-140 DP** - 20 cigarettes, black, the central 2½” x 2¾” portion of the large 5⅞” x 8⅞” die proof [CANADA - F - 1]

--- 20 Cigarettes - “Series of 1897” - 22 x 28 mm. - scanned at 200% scale ---

--- Plate Proof - recess printed in BLACK ink ---

From the ABN Archive Sale of 1990.

★**RC-140 PP** - 20 cigarettes, black, a block of four, mounted on light cardboard

--- 20 Cigarettes - “Imperial Tobacco” - cancellation collection - scanned at 150% scale ---

--- upright cancellations - 5 to date ---

6-17 / CIGARETTES / 9 1912

[★RC-140]	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1910	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1911	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1912	---	---	---	---	---	---	7	---	9	---	---	12
1913	---	---	---	4	---	---	---	---	---	10	---	---
1914	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

--- upright cancellations - 14 to date ---

6-17 / CIGARETTES / 6 1914

[★RC-140]	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1914	---	---	---	---	---	6	---	---	---	---	---	---
1915	---	2	---	---	---	---	---	8	---	---	11	---
1916	---	2	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1917	---	---	---	---	---	6	---	8	---	---	---	---
1918	---	2	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	11	---
1919	---	2	---	---	5	---	7	---	---	10	11	---

--- inverted cancellations - 13 to date ---

6-17 / CIGARETTES / 10 1914

[★RC-140]	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1914	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	**10**	---	---
1915	---	**2**	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1916	**1**	---	---	**4**	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1917	---	**2**	---	---	---	---	**7**	---	---	---	**11**	---
1918	---	**2**	---	**4**	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1919	**1**	---	---	---	---	---	---	**9**	---	---	---	---
1920	---	---	---	**4**	**5**	---	---	**8**	---	---	---	---

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